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CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF MARYLAND

REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE
TO FILL THE VACANCY CAUSED BY
THE RESIGNATION OF HONORABLE
RALPH R. WEBSTER

The Select Committee has met, in accordance with Rule 71, to nominate to the Convention a person to fill the vacancy occurring by reason of the resignation of the Honorable Ralph R. Webster, Delegate from Allegany County.

The Select Committee, by unanimous vote, desires to submit to the Convention as its sole nominee Mr. Harold K. Ritter, of Allegany County. Mr. Ritter is a qualified person in accordance with Section 7 of Chapter 4, Acts of 1967, and a concise written statement of his abilities and experience is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Glenn Beall

C. William Gilchrist

John H. Mosner

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Comprising the Select Committee

September 29, 1967

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF MARYLAND

STATEMENT OF ABILITIES AND EXPERIENCE
OF HAROLD K. RITTER, NOMINEE TO FILL THE
VACANCY IN THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION
CAUSED BY THE RESIGNATION OF HONORABLE
RALPH R. WEBSTER OF ALLEGANY COUNTY

Harold K. Ritter is 51 years of age and resides at 529 Williams Street, Cumberland, Allegany County, Maryland. Mr. Ritter has been a resident of Maryland since 1938.

Mr. Ritter is a graduate of Wilkinsburg High School, Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania, of Oakland Business School, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and of the Institute of labor Studies of the University of West Virginia. He has also completed courses in Parliamentary Law at the University of Miami.

An employee of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company since 1943, Mr. Ritter has served 18 years as Treasurer of Lodge No. 27, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Cumberland. He has been active in legislative affairs in Maryland for 17 years, serving 12 years as local legislative representative.

Few people have had as much experience as a legislative agent in Maryland as has Mr. Ritter. For the past five years he has represented the Brotherhood of which is a member before the General Assembly. In this capacity he has been the chief legislative representative of all trainmen in Maryland, including employees of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, the Pennsylvania Railroad, the Western Maryland Railway Company, the Patapsco and Back River Railroad, and the Canton Railroad. He also represents the Baltimore and Annapolis Railroad trainmen and bus drivers and the Baltimore Motor Coach Drivers. His duties have been full time during all sessions of the General Assembly.

Mr. Ritter served two years in the South Pacific with the U.S. Army during World War II. He is a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Elk and the Masonic bodies

of Cumberland. He is married to the former Margaret Courtney, of Cumberland, and the couple are the parents of two married daughters, Mrs. Barbara V. Olson and Mrs. Charlotte L. Gregg, both now residents of Hyattsville.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF MARYLAND

REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE TO
FILL THE VACANCY CAUSED BY THE
RESIGNATION OF HONORABLE HERBERT
R. O'CONOR, JR.

The Select Committee C. Meredith Boyce, John C. Byrnes, Francis X. Gallagher, Charney L. Harris, Anne D. Hopkins, Frank C. Robey, Jr. and G. Maxwell Armor, Jr., chairman, has met, in accordance with Rule 71, to nominate to the Convention a person to fill the vacancy occurring by reason of the resignation of the Honorable Herbert R. O'Conor, Jr., Delegate from the Third District of Baltimore City.

The Select Committee desires to submit to the Convention as its sole nominee, Mrs. Agnes White Smith of the Third District of Baltimore City. Mrs. Smith is a qualified person in accordance with Section 7 of Chapter 4, Acts of 1967, and a concise written statement of her abilities and experience is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

SELECT COMMITTEE

C. Meredith Boyce
Acting Chairman

C O N S T I T U T I O N A L C O N V E N T I O N O F M A R Y L A N D

Mrs. Agnes White Smith resides at 323 Rossiter Avenue, Baltimore City, Maryland. She is a native Marylander and has lived in the Third District of Baltimore for many years.

Mrs. Smith has been an untiring worker and leader in community activities, many of which were school oriented. She also has teaching experience. To the Convention she brings a broad background of experiences with the people in the community. She knows and is concerned with their needs in government.

Her interest in the Constitutional Convention led her to run in the election of the delegates. There were 63 candidates in the Third District of Baltimore City among which eight were elected. Mrs. Smith came in ninth. We therefore believe she truly represents the wishes of the voters.



